

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figures 3, 12, 13, 15, 16, 18 and 19. These three sheets, which include Figures 3, 12, 13, 15, 16, 18, and 19 replace the original sheets including Figures 3, 12, 13, 15, 16, 18 and 19.

In Figure 3, Intermediate Machine has been amended to Intermediate Device (40).

In Figure 12, Bill Near-Full Sensor has been amended to Bill Nearly-Full Sensor (1412). Bill Container has been amended to Bill Stacker (1413). Medal Near-Full Sensor has been amended to Medal Nearly-End Sensor (1432).

In Figure 13, Intermediate Machine Processing Routine has been amended to Intermediate Device Processing Routine. Near Full With Bill? has been amended to Nearly Full With Bill? (S113) Medel Near End? has been amended to Medel Nearly End? (S116).

In Figure 15, Bill Near-Full Sensor has been amended to Bill Nearly-Full Sensor (1512) Bill Container has been amended to Bill Stacker (1513). Bill Near-End Sensor has been amended to Bill Nearly-End Sensor (1514). Coin Near-End Sensor has been amended to Coin Nearly-End Sensor (1522).

In Figure 16, Near Full With Bill? has been amended to Nearly Full With Bill? (S126). Bill Near End? has been amended to Bill Nearly End? (S128). Coin Near End? has been amended to

Coin Nearly End? (S130).

In Figure 18, Bill Near-Full Sensor has been amended to Bill Nearly-Full Sensor (1612). Bill Container has been amended to Bill Stacker (1613). Bill Near-End Sensor has been amended to Bill Nearly-End Sensor (1614). Card Near-End Sensor has been amended to Card Nearly-End Sensor (1642).

In Figure 19, Near Full With Bill? has been amended to Nearly Full With Bill? (S146). Bill Near End? has been amended to Bill Nearly End? (S148). Coin Near End? has been amended to Coin Nearly End? (S150).

Attachment: Replacement Sheet

Annotated Sheet Showing Changes

REMARKS

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated July 9, 2007. Claims 1 - 36 are pending in this application and have been rejected. Reexamination is respectfully requested in light of the foregoing amendments in the specification and claims and the following remarks.

These remarks follow the order of the outstanding Office Action beginning at page two thereof.

Priority

Applicant appreciates the acknowledgement of priority.

Drawings

At paragraph 2, the examiner has objected to reference characters "1413", "1513", and "1613" because they have been used to designate a bill container (drawings) and a bill stacker (specification). In response, Figures 12, 15 and 18 have been amended to change the designation from "Bill Container" to "Bill Stacker" in order to confirm to the designations of respective reference numerals in the specification.

At paragraph 3, the drawings were objected to because the reference character "1432" was used to designate "medal near-full sensor" and "medal nearly-end sensor". Figure 12 has been

amended to read "medal nearly-end sensor" in order to conform to the specification, such a paragraphs [0250] and [0254].

At paragraph 4, the examiner has objected to reference numeral 512 as being used to designate both a bill nearly-full sensor and coin processor (in the specification). The specification has been amended at paragraph [0290] to designate the coin processor "1521" which is in agreement with Figure 15 of the drawings. This change in the specification, therefore, does not necessitate amendment of Figure 15 for this purpose.

In paragraph 5, the examiner has objected to the drawings as including reference numerals not in the description. The description at paragraph [0290] has now been amended to include reference numeral 1521. The description at [0305] has now been amended to make it clear that the prepaid cards [1062] are displayed as samples and that the three buttons 1065 are shown in Figure 17. The specification at [0305] has, therefore been amended to include the reference numerals 1062 and 1065.

In paragraph 6, the examiner has asserted that the drawings do not include a reference numeral 1651. Applicant respectfully submits that Figure 18 shows the reference numeral 1651. In order to clarify the relationship between Figure 18 and Figure 17, applicant has amended the description at [0305] to relate the input device 1651 to the buttons {1065} shown on Figure 17.

Since Figure 18 includes reference numeral 1651, it is respectfully submitted that an additional drawing sheet is not

required for this reason.

In addition, Figures 3, 13, 16 and 19 have been amended to make the terms in the drawings conform to the specification. Still further, Figures 12, 15 and 18 also reflect additional changes to make them conform to the specification.

Specification

Applicant has reviewed the specification and believes the specification to be in proper idiomatic English form and is not replete with translation errors. Attached hereto is a declaration stating that the specification is a true and accurate translation of the original Japanese specification. With respect to the idiomatic English referred to, the examiner has provided no example of any idiomatic English language objected to, and has not objected to any specific idiomatic English language in the specification.

Applicant respectfully submits that this objection to the specification places an undue burden upon applicant to review the entire specification and search for idiomatic issues that may or may not be those of concern to the examiner. Applicant should not be asked to guess what the examiner is referring to.

With respect to the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.52(a) and (b), applicant notes that part (b) requires that there be a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR § 1.52(b)). With respect 37 CFR § 1.52(a) it relates to format and paper

size. There is nothing in this portion of the code that relates to "idiomatic" English and translation. For this reason, citation of 37 CFR § 1.52(a) and (b) is traversed.

It is respectfully requested that this rejection be reviewed by supervisory examiner Mr. Robert Pezzuto.

Claim Objections

Claim 15 has been amended to overcome the claim objections stated in paragraph 8 of the outstanding Office Action.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The rejection of claims 1 - 2, 5 - 9, 11 - 12 and 16 and 33 has been noted. In response, applicant has amended each of the independent claims to change the word "or" to "and" after mobile terminal, and before "an information managing apparatus".

In the outstanding Office Action, the examiner has clearly read the Giobbi (US 2004/0029635) disclosure only on the mobile unit or terminal as stated by the examiner in paragraphs 11 and 12. This was correct because the claims as originally presented stated the gaming machine, the mobile terminal, or the information managing apparatus which is in alternative form.

In the claims as now amended, applicant requires that the transmitting/receiving device transmit and receive predetermined information to and from the terminal and all three devices. The prior art does not teach a transmitting and receiving device that

can provide all three functions as now stated in the independent claims. For this reason, the claims are clearly no longer anticipated by Giobbi.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103


The rejection of claim 3, 4, 10, 13 - 15 and 34 as being unpatentable over Giobbi has been overcome by the amendment in the independent claims as discussed above.

Claims 17 - 32 and 35 - 36

The rejection of claims 17 - 32 and 35 - 36 as being unpatentable over Kweitko (US patent 6,383,077) has been noted. In response, these claims have been canceled.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance, and early action in accordance thereof is requested. In the event there is any reason why the application cannot be allowed in this current condition, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned at the number listed below to resolve any problems by Interview or Examiner's Amendment.

Respectfully submitted,


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